



## Project Update: Intercity & Rural-to-Urban Public Transportation Network Plan December 2005

### Don't Miss the Intercity Bus!

WSDOT is updating the Washington State Intercity & Rural-to-Urban Public Transportation Network Plan and we want your input.

This plan will guide the development of intercity public transportation services that link cities and towns throughout Washington, including connections between modes (i.e. bus, passenger rail, ferries, and air service) and from rural areas and small towns to the greater network of intercity services. Specific products of the plan include a priority list of projects for state funding, recommendations for policy changes, and strategies for improved connections between services.

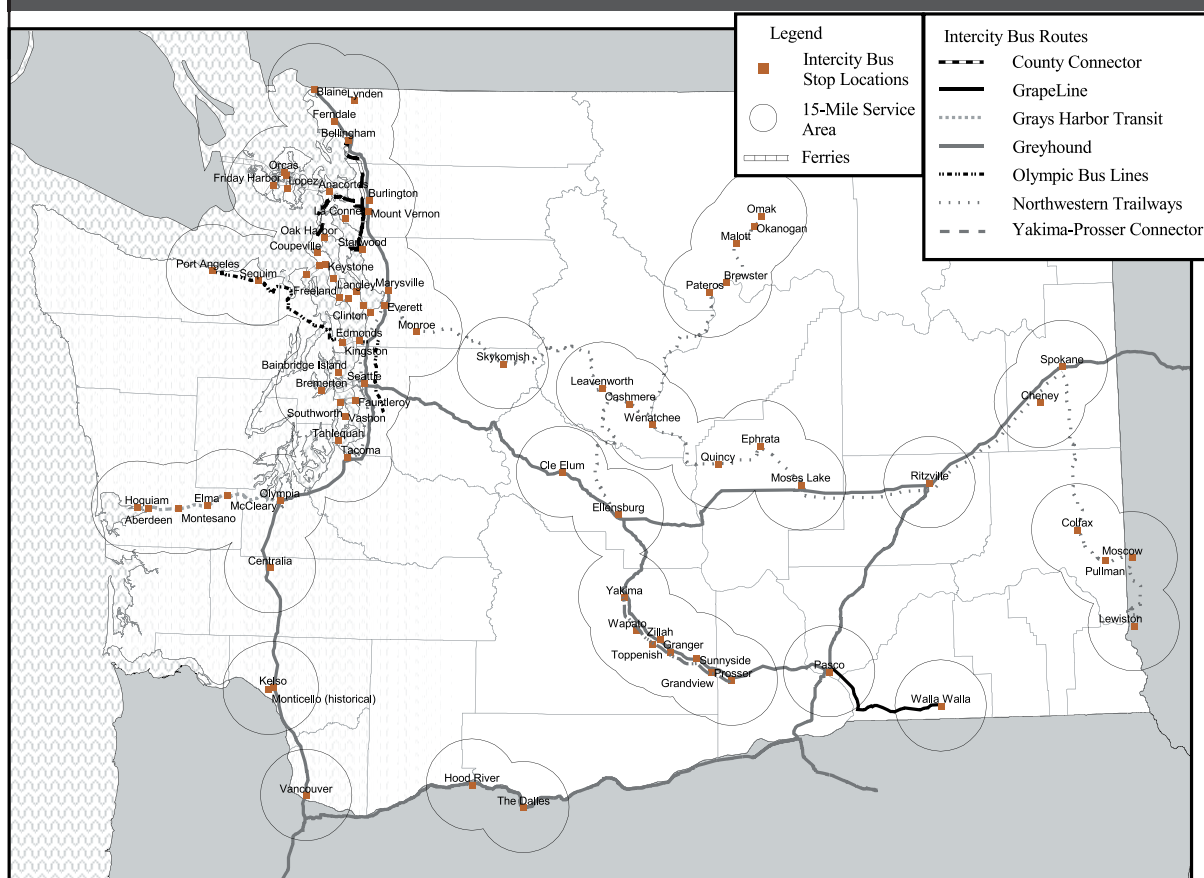
### Getting Involved has its Rewards...

- The new Federal Transportation Bill may result in increased funding for intercity public transportation service
- Your input will help determine how and where WSDOT awards funds for bus purchases and intercity services and facilities

### What is Intercity Public Transportation?

- Operates between population 'hubs' or from rural communities to large cities
- Operates on a regular scheduled route
- Makes a meaningful connection to the national intercity public transportation network
- Is capable of carrying passenger baggage and package express service

### Current Intercity Bus Service



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### We Want Your Input!

During November, December, and January, WSDOT will interview current and potential intercity public transportation providers and survey individuals and organizations with an interest in intercity public transportation.

Following the initial needs assessment, WSDOT will host a number of regional meetings to discuss project findings and involve the public in the planning process.

### Project Timeline

#### 2005

July

Data Collection; Inventory of Services; Review of Policy and Regional Planning Documents

Aug

Sept

Oct

Nov

Dec

**Gather Stakeholder Input**

#### 2006

Jan

Feb

Develop Service Plan

Mar

Apr

Publish Draft Plan

May

Public Review & Comment Period

Jun

Final Plan Completed

### Complete the Online Survey Today!

To access the online survey, go to the blue 'Intercity Bus' tab located on WSDOT's Public Transportation home page [www.wsdot.wa.gov/transit](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/transit). Check back often for project news, draft documents, and announcements for meetings and other activities.

To speak to someone directly about this project or other intercity and rural public transportation issues, contact Daniel Wayne, Intercity & Rural Specialist at (360) 705-7909 or email at [wayned@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:wayned@wsdot.wa.gov).